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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Support

THROUGH : DDS/CMO

SUBJECT : Directorate Panels and Boards

REFERENCE : Memo dtd 2 June 70 to DD/S Office Heads
fr DD/S, same subject

1. I have reviewed the overall listing of panels, boards, and committees within the Support Directorate and find no areas for application to the "younger officers" of this staff. As you know, we presently have three young officers in our Regulations Control Branch who regularly participate in inter-office committees and working groups in their function of editing and coordinating Agency regulations. This new approach to the publication of Agency regulations has worked well: the readability of our regulatory issuances has improved, and, because these young officers deal with matters of substance as well as style, they have an opportunity to participate in deciding policy. We also have some young officers participating in the design of SIPS systems who have an opportunity to influence the manner in which Support requirements are met.

2. In responding to the DD/S memorandum of 21 April on this subject, I had considered the possibility of utilizing a younger officer on the Agency Records Management Board; but the role and functions of this Board are now under review and there is some question about whether or not the Board should continue in its present form. I don't believe DD/S should change his representation on the Board unilaterally, at least until the future status of the Board has been settled.

3. As you may know, I have experimented some with "participative management" using young officers assigned to the Support Services Staff. This has taught me that they really want to participate in a meaningful way; they do not want simply to be informed or be observers. If they cannot be fully accredited participating members of Boards and Panels, I strongly recommend that they not be designated.



Chief, Support Services Staff

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